## Northern District of Cantornia

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA SAN JOSE DIVISION

PERSONALWEB TECHNOLOGIES LLC, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

EMC CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. <u>5:13-cv-01358-EJD</u>

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS'
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND
INVALIDITY CONTENTIONS;
DENYING DEFENDANTS' MOTION
FOR LEAVE TO FILE
SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIM
CONSTRUCTION BRIEFING

Re: Dkt. Nos. 71, 73

On October 4, 2019, Defendants moved for leave to amend its invalidity contentions. Dkt. 71. Pursuant to Local Patent Rule 3-6, this Court may grant leave to amend upon a showing of "good cause." The Court concludes good cause has been shown because: (1) Defendants were not required to raise a Section 101 defense when this case was originally brought in Texas; (2) other courts have held that the *Alice* decision provides good cause for amendment, see *Mortg. Grader*, *Inc. v. First Choice Loan Servs. Inc.*, 811 F.3d 1314, 1322 (Fed. Cir. 2016); and (3) no unfair prejudice to Plaintiff would result. *See* Dkt. 71 at ECF 3–5. Accordingly, Defendants' motion for leave to amend its invalidity contentions is **GRANTED.** Defendants, however, are instructed to file joint briefing with Defendants Facebook and Google/YouTube (who are subject to similar PersonalWeb actions) pursuant to this Court's October 10, 2019 order. The parties were instructed to file a status report as to all three of the cases. The motion is tentatively set to be heard on December 19, 2019.

On October 11, 2019, Defendants filed a motion for leave to file supplemental claim Case No.: 5:13-cv-01358-EJD ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND INVALIDITY CONTENTIONS; DENYING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIM CONSTRUCTION BRIEFING

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construction briefing. Dkt. 73. Because the Alice ruling could moot Defendants' claim construction argument, the Court dismisses the motion for leave to file supplemental claim construction briefing without prejudice and instructs Defendants to re-file the motion (if necessary) after the Court rules on the Alice issue. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: October 15, 2019 WARD J. DAVILA United States District Judge

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